

Union Calendar No. 342

111TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 3785

[Report No. 111-597]

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the suitability and feasibility of expanding the boundary of Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 8, 2009

Mr. SCOTT of Georgia (for himself, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 16, 2010

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Chattahoochee River
5 National Recreation Area Boundary Study Act of 2009”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
9 the Secretary of the Interior.

10 (2) RECREATION AREA.—The term “recreation
11 area” means the Chattahoochee River National
12 Recreation Area in the State of Georgia.

13 (3) STUDY AREA.—The term “study area”
14 means the area of the Chattahoochee River and land
15 along the river corridor described in section 3(a)
16 that is the subject of the study authorized by this
17 Act.

18 **SEC. 3. BOUNDARY STUDY.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary is authorized to
20 conduct a study to determine the suitability and feasibility
21 of including in the boundary of the recreation area ap-
22 proximately 45 miles of the Chattahoochee River and
23 lands along the river corridor from the southern boundary
24 of the recreation area south to the junction of Coweta,
25 Heard, and Carroll Counties.

1 (b) CONTENTS.—The study authorized under this
2 Act shall include an analysis of—

3 (1) significant resources or opportunities for
4 public enjoyment within the study area related to
5 purposes of the recreation area;

6 (2) operational and management issues that
7 need to be considered if the study area is included
8 within the recreation area;

9 (3) protection of resources within the study
10 area critical to fulfilling the recreation area's pur-
11 poses;

12 (4) the feasibility of administering the study
13 area as part of the recreation area considering the
14 study area's size, configuration, ownership, costs,
15 and other factors; and

16 (5) the adequacy of other alternatives for man-
17 agement and protection of resources within the
18 study area.

19 (c) REPORT.—Not later than three years after the
20 date on which funds are made available to carry out this
21 Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Nat-
22 ural Resources of the House of Representatives and the
23 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Sen-
24 ate a report that describes the findings and conclusions
25 of the study and any recommendations of the Secretary.

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